

**Iowa Department of Natural Resources  
Natural Resource Commission**

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**DECISION**

**TOPIC**

Agreement with the City of Storm Lake

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Approval is requested for the Department of Natural Resources Department to enter into an agreement with the City of Storm Lake. The purpose is to continue lake dredging operations at Storm Lake (Buena Vista County). This project is being funded through the State of Iowa's Lake Water Quality Improvement Program, and current FY08 legislation allocated \$1,000,000 for lake restoration at Storm Lake. This project is listed in the DNR's FY 2008 Capital Projects and Program Plan. Local funding is also being raised and contributing to this project. The City of Storm Lake is requesting \$1,000,000 for FY 08 operations. Funding will be provided to the City of Storm Lake in accord with the criteria listed in section 456A.33B.

The City of Storm Lake is following a dredging plan that will require an additional five to seven years to complete. During the past five fiscal years, the Department has contributed a total of \$1.75 million dollars to this dredging operation.

We recommend that the Department enter into an agreement with the City of Storm Lake for this lake restoration project.

Kenneth Herring, Administrator  
Conservation and Recreation Division  
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